TAXES AND FUNDS FACT SHEET

(01/24/06)

All Local Exchange Companies in Washington collect and remit the following social program excise taxes levied upon all end users of regulated telecommunications services. For specific Tax questions contact the Washington Department of Revenue at 1-800-647-7706 or 360-705-6705.

1. Washington Telephone Assistance Program (WTAP)

Contact: 1-888-700-8880

Tax per access line per month: \$.14
Threshold Rate (8/93) \$8.00

2. Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS)

Contact: Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)

Mr. Eric Raff (360) 753-0703

14th Avenue & Jefferson St. Mail Stop 45300

Olympia, WA 98504-5310

Tax per access line per month: \$.10

3. E-911 State Excise Tax

Contact: Department of Revenue

Bob Pellys (360) 902-7065

P.O. Box 47476, Olympia, WA 98504-7476

Tax per access line per month: \$.20

4. E-911 County Tax

Contact:

Tax per access line per month: \$.50

5. E-911 King County Tax

Contact: King County

Ms. Marliss Davis (206) 296-3911 7300 Perimeter Rd South, Room 128

Seattle, WA 98108-3848

Tax per access line per month: \$.50

6. Federal, State, County, Municipal utility excise taxes.

All telecommunications companies must collect and remit.

7. <u>State Universal Service Fund (USF)</u>

State access charge structure provides for a mill levy on intrastate switched access minutes of use originating an terminating on incumbent LEC networks. New LEC=s must collect and remit if they offer switched access services.

USF rate pre minutes of use:

\$.00152

Note: E911: Contact: Mr. Robert Oenning, Statewide E911 (253) 512-7011. New Local Exchange Companies abide by a Amodel@ E911 tariff/price list. This is practice if the LEC ceases to use an incumbent LEC tandem to transmit calls to Public Safety Answer Points (PSAPS). New LECs currently route 911 calls to the LEC to handle in the same manner as that of a PBX, including all proper functions of keeping the Automatic Location Identifier database current.